The Speed Limit in The Venetian is 25 MPH

Speeding and running stop signs continues to be a serious problem in our community.

Recently additional stop signs were placed in strategic locations throughout The Venetian in an effort to reduce speeding. Though many residents and guests obey the 25 MPH speed limit and come to an appropriate full stop at stop signs there are many others who continue to speed and go through stop signs without coming to a full stop. There have even been instances reported of drivers passing vehicles traveling at the 25 MPH posted speed limit. This is not only illegal, but also extremely dangerous.

Our radar tracking devices record vehicle speeds in the community and recently speeds as high as 65 MPH have been recorded on Veneto Boulevard and 80 MPH on Pesaro Drive. While these speeds are outliers there are literally thousands of instances per month where speeds are recorded between 35 – 40 MPH on these streets. To put this in perspective if a driver is ticketed doing 15 MPH over the speed limit in Florida the fine is between $243 and $276 and is 4 points on your driver’s license.

The speed limit at the guard gate is 15 MPH. We continue to record thousands of instances each month with speeds between 25 – 30 MPH, and hundreds between 30 – 35 MPH.

Speeding and failure to stop at stop signs is a significant safety risk to our community. Therefore, we must continue to request folks SLOW DOWN and obey our posted speed limit of 25 MPH while driving inside the community. We also ask drivers to come to a complete and full stop at all stop signs. Rolling stops are illegal.

Finally, please remember speed limits and stop signs apply to ALL vehicles. This includes golf carts and bicycles.

Obeying our posted speed limit, driving defensively and stopping at all stop signs will significantly reduce the possibility of additional accidents and injuries and make our community a much safer and enjoyable place to live, work and play.
Morning Coffee and Snacks Now Available in the Tennis Shop

The River Club is now offering morning coffee, and healthy food and drink choices in a café type environment in the tennis shop. Small tables and chairs have been added to this area to provide our Members a place to gather and have morning coffee, a smoothie and enjoy a muffin or other healthy snack.

This service is now available Monday through Friday at 7:30 am and at 8:30 am on Saturdays and Sundays. It makes for the perfect pre-workout snack or simply a place to meet friends over coffee at the start of the day.

Please Welcome Our New River Club Maintenance Man German Palaez

The River Club is pleased to welcome German Palaez to its staff. German is responsible for general facilities maintenance and repair in and around the River Club. Part of German’s daily duties include the cleaning and organization of the pool area; and the blowing, sweeping and removal of debris around all exterior areas of The River Club. It is our goal to concentrate on keeping the River Club’s grounds looking their best. Be sure to welcome German should you see him around The River Club.

Meeting Dates

VCDD Board of Supervisors has regular meetings the 2nd and 4th Monday of every month. Meetings are open to the public and are held at the Venetian River Club, 502 Veneto Blvd., North Venice, FL 34275, at 9:30 am. The following fiscal year 2017-2018 meeting dates have been established.

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Facilities Advisory Committee, at 9:00 a.m. at The River Club:

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Tennis Advisory Committee, at 4:00 p.m. at The River Club:

March 5, 2018
April 2, 2018
May 7, 2018

Pool and Fitness Advisory Committee, at 2:00 p.m. at The River Club:

February 19, 2018
March 19, 2018
April 16, 2018
May 21, 2018
June 18, 2018
July 16, 2018
August 20, 2018
September 17, 2018

Social and Dining Advisory Committee, at 10:00 a.m. at The River Club:

February 14, 2018
March 14, 2018
April 11, 2018
May 9, 2018
June 13, 2018
July 11, 2018
August 8, 2018
September 12, 2018

River Club Renovation Advisory Committee, at 3:00 p.m. at The River Club:

February 22, 2018

News on RFID Rollout

In the next few days we will be sending the entire community a email which will include a link to a set of detailed questions and answers relating to the implementation of the new RFID gate entry system. In addition, we will be attending the next Town Hall meeting on February 26 where a brief presentation will be given and a table set up to personally field additional questions directly. Please take these opportunities to familiarize yourself with the process involved and raise any questions or concerns you may have. We are committed to ensuring that this transition occurs as seamlessly as possible and your feedback is always welcome.

For complete information visit the VCDD web site at:
www.venetiancdd.org
River Club Renovation Community Meeting February 22

The River Club Renovation Advisory Committee has been hard at work meeting the design firms, the Noller Group and Builders Design, which were contracted by the VCDD Board of Supervisors to provide proposed River Club Renovation designs. These firms have been working on a strategic design plan, which will be presented to the community at The River Club in two meetings on Thursday, February 22, one at 2 pm and the second at 5 pm.

At this meeting the River Club Renovation Advisory Committee will highlight the suggested extent of the renovation, plan cost, color selections for all interior areas, specifications for the flooring, wall finishes, furnishings, lighting, window treatments, and artwork.

The committee has also taken great care in researching and reviewing the acoustic attenuation solutions to be recommended to reduce the noise levels in the bar and dining rooms. This was the top concern mentioned by our members in last year's member survey. This comprehensive plan will involve carpeting and flooring along with wall and ceiling treatments designed to provide the best and most cost-effective noise reduction throughout the River Club.

We encourage all members to attend this public meeting to review the proposed designs and provide comments and feedback to the Renovation Advisory Committee and the Board.

Should you wish to make suggestions directly to the Renovation Advisory Committee members their email addresses are listed below.

Steve Kleinglass, Chair - renovationcommittee1@vcdd.org
Al Churilla - renovationcommittee2@vcdd.org
Israel Gopstein - renovationcommittee3@vcdd.org
Rebecca O'Donnell - renovationcommittee4@vcdd.org
Annette Dwyer - renovationcommittee5@vcdd.org
David Lusty, VCDD Board liaison – dlusty@vcdd.org

BrightView Awarded Landscaping Contract

At the January 15 meeting of the VCDD Board of Supervisors a new community-wide landscape contract was awarded to BrightView effective February 5, 2018. The contract has an initial term of 1 year at a cost of $332,405, with two optional annual renewals in the amounts of $332,405 for the first renewal and $342,377 for the second renewal.

BrightView was the lowest bidder and received the highest ranking among the vendors who submitted proposals, and will provide local supervision with an account manager on-site here in The Venetian daily Monday – Friday.

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102 Pesaro Drive
North Venice, FL 34275
Karen Richard – Field Manager
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Thurs 1 pm – 4:30 pm
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E-mail: krichard@vcdd.org
Belinda Blandon – District Manager
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Phone: 239-936-0913
E-mail: bblandon@rizzetta.com

Office Hours
The VCDD and POA office hours are:

Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9 am – 1 pm
Thursdays from 1 pm – 4:30 pm

If these times do not work for you, please call or email Kareen Richard to schedule an appointment. This way she can set aside time specifically for you.

Kareen can be reached at 941-485-8500 or email: krichard@vcdd.org
CDD Information can be found at www.venetiancdd.org